

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1670

By Haile

A RESOLUTION to recognize Judy Hardin, Sumner County Road Superintendent, on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of public service; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable person is Judy Hardin, who, having admirably served the citizens of Sumner County as Road Superintendent since 2010, recently announced her intention to retire; and

WHEREAS, a longtime resident of Tennessee, Judy Hardin began her estimable career with the Sumner County Highway Department in 1987; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hardin was elected by her fellow citizens as Sumner County Road Superintendent in 2010, thereby becoming the first woman in Tennessee to be elected to such a position; and

WHEREAS, while she may have been the first, there are currently five women throughout the State who have been elected to serve as road superintendent of their respective counties; and

WHEREAS, Judy Hardin has seen more than a few changes over the course of her thirty-five-year career with the Sumner County Highway Department; she notes that there was no official road or bridge list when she began, and the increasing population and traffic have required the department to obtain many more rights-of-way to facilitate road widening and construction; and

WHEREAS, one of the improvements Ms. Hardin has implemented as road superintendent has been the use of brine, rather than straight salt, on Sumner County roads during inclement weather; the switch from straight salt to brine has resulted in a ten-fold decrease in salt usage at a considerable savings to the county; and

WHEREAS, throughout her illustrious tenure as Sumner County Road Superintendent, Judy Hardin has distinguished herself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues and the citizens she has so ably served; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to Judy Hardin our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.